

Hi and welcome to our third e-newsletter - we hope you find it full of useful and interesting information. All you need to do is click on the links below for more information:

Launch of Welsh Leaflets and Posters in Llanelli

At 12.30 pm on 7 August 2008, we will be launching the new Welsh leaflets and Posters at the Llanelli Quadrant Centre.

Lydia Lloyd was so upset when her local hospital could not take GBSS leaflets because they were not bilingual (Welsh/English) that she contacted her MP, Nia Griffith. Nia was concerned to hear that local women would not have information about GBS and arranged for our introductory leaflet "GBS & Pregnancy" and our 'Pregnant?' poster to be translated into Welsh and printed, so they will be more likely to be accepted by local hospitals.

Organised by member and supporter, Lydia Lloyd and her MP, Nia Griffith, the launch event is also being attended by GBSS chairman, Jane Plumb – although all are very welcome!

Mail on Sunday article

There was an excellent article published in the Mail on Sunday on 27 July 2008 that featured the issues about preventing group B Strep infection in newborn babies (to view it, [click here](#)). It will have raised a huge amount of awareness as a result and our thanks go both to the Mail on Sunday and, of course, to Emma Allerton for being willing to tell her story to the journalist. The website allows comments to be left about the article – one of our members has already left a comment and suggested we highlight this to other supporters "Perhaps you could get some members to log onto the site and tell their own story in brief. The Mail is usually very good at taking up such a cause so perhaps it would provide some impetus". Over to you

Sudoku Book

If you're a Sudoku fan and haven't bought all the holiday books you need, then please check out the book available from our shop (to visit it, please [click here](#) then choose the Shop option). Written by one of our supporters, who has very generously said we can sell her book with all the profits going to GBSS! Fantastic and thank you so much Debbie Rendell.

If you have time and you haven't already ... please check out our new website at www.gbss.org.uk and please complete our two online surveys – one is to rate the new site, and the other to measure levels of awareness of group B Strep amongst visitors to the site.

Did you know you can send e-cards from our website? Click [here](#) for a variety of cards suitable for most occasions; they're free to send (though we'd welcome donations!), and they're a great way of raising awareness of GBSS at the same time as sending a card. If you'd like to create an e-card for us to use, please send your ideas to info@gbss.org.uk.

We would be delighted to hear any comments and suggestions to improve what we do – please contact us. Until next time, with our best wishes,

The GBSS Team

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